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SUBJECT: BELGRADE CSCE--OCTOBER 19TH BASKET THREE SUBSIDIARY
WORKING BODY

SUMMARY: US NATO BASKET THREE WORKING BODY OCTOBER 19
WAS HIGHLIGHTED BY HEATED SOVIET, CZECH, AND GDR CHAR-
ACTERISATIONS OF US AND UK STATEMENTS AS INTERFERENCE IN
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INTERNAL AFFAIRS. THEY WARNED OF DIFFICULTIES IN CON-
DUCTING CONSTRUCTIVE MEETING IF WESTERN APPROACH CONTINUES.
OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES AND POLAND CONTINUED BASKET THREE
DISCUSSIONS WITH REVIEW OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRY'S IMPE-
MENTATION RECORD AND SHORTCOMINGS IN OTHER COUNTRIES'
PERFORMANCE. END SUMMARY.

1. PREFACING HIS REMARKS WITH STATEMENT ON THE IMPORTANCE OF ASKING QUESTIONS IN ORDER TO GET MORE INFORMATION AND BEGIN A DIALOGUE, US REP WENT A STEP BEYOND MONDAY'S CANADIAN INTERVENTION AND ASKED SOVIET DEL ABOUT LARGE NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR EXIT VISA APPLICATION, WHETHER PROCEDURES FOR APPLYING WERE READILY AVAILABLE AND IF THEY WERE NOT, WHETHER THEY COULD BE MADE MORE ACCESSIBLE. HE ALSO ASKED SOVIET REP WHETHER TERM "STATE SECRETS", OFTEN INVOKED AS A REASON FOR EXIT VISA REFUSAL, COULD NOT BE MORE CLEARLY DEFINED.

2. CANADIAN REP ENCOURAGED OTHER STATES' QUESTIONING OF CANADIAN RECORD, BUT EXPRESSED DISMAY AT TONE OF YESTERDAY'S SOVIET COMMENTS, "WHICH MAY BE INTERPRETED AS AGGRESSIVE." REP OF UK NOTED WITH DEEP CONCERN STAGING OF TRIAL (CHARTER 77) REFERRED TO IN PAST TWO SESSIONS. SUCH TRIALS, BRITISH DEL STATED, CONDUCTED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS AND BASED ON QUESTIONABLE CHARGES, WERE TO HAVE BEEN A THING OF THE PAST AFTER THE FINAL ACT.

3. TOWARDS END OF SESSION, SOVIET, CZECH AND GDR DELS STRONGLY CONDEMNED CERTAIN WESTERN INTERVENTIONS AS FLAGRANT INTERFERENCE IN SOVEREIGN NATIONS' INTERNAL AFFAIRS. BY CITING CANADIAN PRACTICES, SOVIET REP STATED, SOVIETS DID NOT EXPECT ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING INTERNAL MATTERS. SOVIET REP SPECIFICALLY CRITICIZED STATEMENTS OF UK DEL AND US DEL (WHOM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HE REFERRED TO BY NAME). SOVIET REP DID ANSWER US DEL'S QUESTION BY COMMENTING THAT INTERNAL PRACTICES ARE AVAILABLE TO SOVIET CITIZENS AND THAT MR. CORIDEN, IF HE WISHED TO BE REUNITED WITH FAMILY IN THE SOVIET UNION, WOULD NOT NEED WORK REFERENCE TO DO SO. HE ALSO NOTED THAT REP OF NEWSPAPER QUOTED YESTERDAY (L'HUMANITE) HAD BEEN REFUSED ENTRY INTO US FOR MANY YEARS. CZECH DEL ANSWERED PREVIOUS CHARGES BY CLAIMING THAT NO ONE IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS TRIED FOR HIS CONVICTIONS, AND THAT THOSE CONVICTED TODAY WERE ATTEMPTING TO SUBVERT HIS GOVERNMENT WITH HELP FROM FOREIGN SOURCES. GDR REP MADE SAME CLAIM AND STATED THAT IN GDR, AS IN ALL COUNTRIES, PEOPLE ENGAGED IN ILLEGAL AND ANTI-STATE ACTIVITIES MUST BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR ACTIONS. ALL THREE NOTED THAT SUCH WESTERN STATEMENTS PROVOKE CONFRONTATION AND THREATEN POSITIVE AND CONSTRUCTIVE COURSE OF MEETING.

4. YUGOSLAV, ITALIAN, WEST GERMAN, IRISH, NORWEGIAN, DANISH AND FINNISH REPS NOTED EASE OF EXIT AND ENTRY FROM AND INTO THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES AND CONTRASTED THESE WITH DIFFICULTIES WHICH REMAIN IN EXIT FROM OTHER COUNTRIES. YUGOSLAV REP MENTIONED YEAR OF TOURISM AND CHEAPER TRAVEL FOR YOUTH AS

POSSIBLE NEW PROPOSALS, AND NORWEGIAN AND DANISH REPS SUGGESTED MORE PRECISE DEFINITIONS OF TIME LIMITS AND FEES INVOLVED IN EXIT APPLICATION PROCESS. YUGOSLAV, FRG, IRISH, NORWEGIAN, DUTCH, AND SWEDISH REPS SUPPORTED VIEW THAT DIALOGUE IS NEEDED IN A REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION WHICH MUST INCLUDE MENTION OF BOTH POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE ACTIONS. FRG REP ANSWERED SOVIET CLAIM THAT NATIONAL MINORITY AND EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS DO NOT EXIST IN THE SOVIET UNION, AND RESPONDED TO CZECH CRITICISM OF PARENTS WHO ILLEGALLY LEAVE CZECHOSLOVAKIA, LEAVE THEIR CHILDREN BEHIND AND ARE NOT DEPORTED BY RECEIVING COUNTRY. TURKEY REPEATED HOPE THAT TRANSIT PASSAGE OF MIGRANT WORKERS COULD BE EASED.

5. IN NOTABLY MILD EASTERN STATEMENT, POLISH DEL NOTED THAT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INTRODUCING IRRELEVANT SUBJECTS CAN SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE. HE THEN REVIEW POSITIVE POLISH IMPLEMENTATION IN YOUTH CONTACTS AND TRAVEL, AND STRESSED THAT ALL TRULY HUMANITARIAN CASES, WHICH EXCLUDES ECONOMICALLY-MOTIVATED EMIGRATION OR EMIGRATION THAT WOULD DISUNIFY A FAMILY, HAVE BEEN FAVORABLY RESOLVED. POLISH DEL NOTED IMPORTANCE OF CONCLUDING CONSULAR AGREEMENTS AND CRITICIZED MEDICAL TREATMENT POLISH CITIZENS TRAVELING IN SOME WESTERN STATES RECEIVE, PARTICULARLY IN UK. HE ALSO CRITICIZED DISCRIMINATORY WESTERN VISA PROCEDURES. GOLDBERG UNQUOTE VANCE

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